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FOR: OPTICAL AMPLIFYING METHOD, : OPTICAL AMPLIFYING APPARATUS, AND OPTICAL AMPLIFIED TRANSMISSION SYSTEM USING THE APPARATUS

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2005, please consider the following Remarks.

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